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The Honorable Thomas O. Enders  
Assistant Secretary of State  
for Inter-American Affairs  
State Department  
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Tom,

Congratulations on your confirmation. I look forward to close cooperation with you.

The following is my reaction to the April 22nd draft of the memo you asked NFAC to prepare.

I think the draft of the memorandum on Cuban reaction to U.S. policies did a good job. In dealing with Cuba's reaction to strong arm methods on the part of the United States it may be frustrating but it is good to look at the measures Castro has available to him. What the memo doesn't do, and I would like to see this addressed in a subsequent memorandum prepared as soon as possible, is identify how Castro has lost standing and influence as the memorandum states he has and what we can do to help him along in a downward spiral. This would involve such things as letting the Cubans know about what he is doing around the world -- in far-off Africa, Arabia and elsewhere, as well as in Central America and far-off parts of South America, what this costs them and what we might do to increase that cost.

Yours,



William J. Casey

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FROM: Director of Central Intelligence  
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